

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 166

BY SENATORS PEACOCK, ADLEY, BUFFINGTON AND TARVER

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Angelo Roppolo on his long and very productive life, his myriad of long lasting accomplishments, and his contributions to his community and the state of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, Angelo Roppolo changed the face of politics in the state, literally; and

WHEREAS, he organized the campaign and helped elect the first African-American judge in Shreveport and in Caddo Parish, the first female judge in Caddo Parish, and the first female judge on the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeal; and

WHEREAS, he served as the Kathleen Blanco campaign chairman for north Louisiana and was instrumental in electing the first female governor of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Angelo Roppolo was heavily involved in making the annual Red Mass in Shreveport a successful salute to the legal profession and a special occasion for judges, lawyers, and law enforcement officials of all faiths to pray together to ask for God's blessing and guidance; and

WHEREAS, Angelo Roppolo was a founder of the South Shreveport Business Association, an organization dedicated to the success of businesses in a rapidly growing area of his community; and

WHEREAS, Angelo Roppolo has been a confidant to and supporter of entrepreneurs in Shreveport, helping individuals obtain financing for their ventures with a great number of these having grown into successful businesses; and

WHEREAS, his guidance and counsel have been sought by private citizens, leaders in business and industry, and politicians at all levels of local, state, and national government for more than seven decades; and

WHEREAS, Angelo Roppolo has been modest and seldom takes credit, avoiding the spotlight; and

WHEREAS, Angelo Roppolo is loyal to his friends and true to his core beliefs and principles and all who know him are better for it.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Angelo Roppolo on his long and very productive life, his myriad of long lasting accomplishments, and his contributions to his community and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Angelo Roppolo.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE